

or a progressive at all but a humanist. Terry Sanford was the great Southern humanist of his generation in politics.

The Southern humanist never trivialized himself like the Northern liberal, for two reasons. First, he was always so much the underdog that he had to stay attuned to people who didn't think a bit like him. This kept the Southern humanist humble. Second, Southern humanism was based in gospel-inspired neighborliness, as opposed to fads, modernism, and, ultimately, rationalism.

It is also hard for the Northerner and the modern to understand a guy like Sanford. What made him go?

It wasn't sheer ambition, because he did so much that hurt his career and so much that was irrelevant to it. More than one political reporter remarked that Sanford lacked the "killer instinct" that Carter possessed and Clinton possesses in spades.

The answer is that Sanford was a citizen—a public man in the ancient Greek sense. Education and politics were one to him; public life was citizenship, and it came before and after office. It lasted all your life.

This sense of mission and duty is a much deeper thing than the vanity that seeks and clings to office—any office—like life's blood.

For a politician Sanford was wonderfully stoical. When he ran for the Senate I was working in Winston-Salem as an editorial writer. He came in for an endorsement interview with the editorial board (an endorsement he did not receive) and answered our questions for an hour or so. I thought him every inch a senator—in fact, a president. But I was also impressed by his lack of pretense.

Another writer asked him, as he was about to go: "Governor, aren't you taking a big risk? If you lose, you go out as a loser and you'll be remembered as a loser."

Sanford shrugged and smiled and skipped a beat as if considering self-censoring and dismissing it. And then he said: "So what? Most folks don't remember you, win or lose. You're just an old politician. . . . People don't remember what little good I did. And that's fine. But I do, and I take my satisfaction there."

THE INSTINCT TO SERVE

Sanford did go out with a loss. His disastrous reelection campaign for the Senate was sunk by a long hospital stay and a roguish opponent—a former Democrat and Sanford protege—who ran on the brave slogan that Sanford was too sick to campaign.

I wrote to Sanford after that loss—just a one-liner to say I was sorry. To my surprise he wrote back in his own hand. He said that his defeat might be for the best. For now he'd be home in North Carolina, he said, and could see his grandchildren, do some teaching, and maybe pursue some projects for the state—like the arts institute.

Yes, he did lack the killer instinct. Terry Sanford has the serving instinct. It helped him to change a state, a region, and a nation. ●

TRIBUTE TO VINCENT D'ACUTI "MR. SOUTH BURLINGTON"

● Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a dear neighbor and lifetime friend. Vincent D'Acuti passed away on September 23th. However, his sense of humor and his devotion to his community will keep him in the hearts and minds of those who knew and loved him.

Often called "Mr. South Burlington," Vincent served his community in a va-

riety of ways. He was a selectman in South Burlington for 10 years during the transition from town to city in the 1970's. While he was on the board, the population doubled and numerous improvement projects were undertaken. He was on the Burlington International Airport Commission, helped form the Burlington Boys and Girls Club, and was an active member of the Kiwanis club for over fifty years. He was a fixture at the annual pancake breakfast and charity auction run by the Kiwanis, served as their lieutenant governor for New England, and received a national Kiwanis award for 50 years of service.

He also served his country in the army, including a stint in Normandy. While stationed at Fort Ethan Allen in Colchester, he met his future wife, Lillian Langlois of South Burlington. After he was discharged, he returned to the Burlington area to work and raise his family.

Vincent approached his service of both country and community with a sense of humor which endeared himself to everyone he met. As I read the article in the September 34th edition of *The Burlington Free Press*, I was struck at how many people mentioned this attribute. Frank Balch, a former employer of Vincent said, "He loved his life and enjoyed it to the hilt. He was an unforgettable person." He loved to tell stories and most of them were about his wife and two daughters. The joy which Vincent shared with others grew from the joy he found with his wife their daughters, Donna and Diane.

My wife Liz recalled a time when she was babysitting for his children. There was a huge storm, and as is typical in rural Vermont, the power went out. Liz wasn't expecting Vince or Lillian to be home for hours, so when she heard someone at the back door, she grabbed a vacuum cleaner and positioned herself by the door, ready to defend herself and Vince's two daughters. However, the mysterious noise she heard was Vince returning home early from his work as owner of the local Dairy Queen. Luckily, he said hello before my wife wacked him over the head with the Hoover!

Through his commitment to his community, his friends, and his family, he showed us how one man can truly make a difference in the lives of others. Through his humor and charisma he showed us all how to live life to its fullest. Farewell Vincent. Your friendship meant a great deal to me, and to so many others whose lives you touched. ●

USDA'S INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT DOCUMENTING MISMANAGEMENT PRACTICES IN THE FLUID MILK PROMOTION PROGRAM

● Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, a report issued by the Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Agriculture raises very serious concerns about the Inter-

national Dairy Foods Association (IDFA), the Milk Industry Foundation (MIF) and the National Fluid Milk Processor Promotion Board (Board) in terms of the fluid milk promotion program.

The Inspector General (IG) report identifies: unapproved expenditures in violation of law, potential conflicts of interest, possible cover-up activities, inaccurate financial statements, sole-source contracting, inadequate controls over contracting, excessive payments, failure to enforce contracts, property disputes over ownership of copyrights, and other serious violations by the Board or its agents IDFA and MIF.

The fluid milk promotion law contains penalties for violations including, on conviction, a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than 1 year, or both. The law also provides that "nothing . . . shall authorize the Secretary to withhold information from a duly authorized committee or subcommittee of Congress." I serve on three committees and I have a keen interest in this matter.

It is also a violation for funds collected under the law "to be used in any manner for the purpose of influencing legislation or government action or policy."

I will omit details, but as background note that the law allows the appointment of a Board which may enter into contracts, with the approval of the Secretary, to carry out milk promotion and research programs. Funds are generated by a 20-cent per hundredweight assessment on certain processors of milk. This assessment is imposed through an order which is binding on processors.

The Board is to "keep minutes . . . and promptly report minutes of each Board meeting to the Secretary." The Board may pay for the advertising of fluid milk if authorized by the Secretary. Programs or projects can not become effective except "on the approval of the Secretary." Also, the law provides that the Board is to "administer the order."

The law does not provide for the involvement of IDFA or MIF specifically. However, the Board is authorized, with approval of the Secretary, to enter into contracts or agreements and is authorized to employ such persons as the Board considers necessary.

As background for those not familiar with these organizations, note that IDFA's website says that "IDFA serves as an umbrella organization for three constituent groups: the Milk Industry Foundation, the National Cheese Institute, and the International Ice Cream Association. . . ." IDFA is an association for "processors, manufacturers, marketers, distributors and suppliers of dairy foods, including milk, cheese, and ice cream and frozen desserts." More than 800 companies are in IDFA. MIF has 185 member companies, the National Cheese Institute has 95 member companies, and 150 companies are